



National Weather Service

Storm Data and Unusual Weather Phenomena



April 2000

Location	Date	Time Local/ Standard	Path Length (Miles)	Path Width (Yards)	Number of Persons		Estimated Damage		Character of Storm
					Killed	Injured	Property	Crops	

MINNESOTA, Central and South Central

MNZ041-047>049-054>060-062>070-073>078-082>085-091>093 Douglas - Stevens - Pope - Stearns - Lac Qui Parle - Swift - Chippewa - Kandiyohi - Meeker - Wright - Hennepin - Ramsey - Washington - Yellow Medicine - Renville - Mcleod - Sibley - Carver - Scott - Dakota - Redwood - Brown - Nicollet - Le Sueur - Rice - Goodhue - Watonwan - Blue Earth - Waseca - Steele - Martin - Faribault - Freeborn

05	2100CST	0	0	High Wind (M64)
06	0000CST			

A tight pressure gradient behind a cold front was responsible for a large area of wind gusts of 40 knots or greater across much of central and south central Minnesota. Some cities with strong, gusty winds included: Appleton-64 kts; Morris-59 kts; Willmar-55 kts; Madison-54 kts; Benson-54 kts; Alexandria-54 kts; Minneapolis-51 kts; St.Cloud 48 kts; Mankato-46 kts; Red Wing-45 kts. A few other sites using RWIS wind measuring equipment had wind speeds of 40 knots or greater at: Regall-62 kts; Clara City-59 kts; Hanley Falls-58 kts; Sauk Centre 57 kts; Blue Earth-55 kts; Cannon Falls-55 kts; Clearwater- 51 kts. The Owatonna People's Press reported on April 8th that insurance claims were expected to reach into the millions of dollars. Damage included numerous trees down on homes, shingles torn from roofs, siding stripped away, utility sheds blown away. Driving was no easy chore either as high winds toppled a semi truck on County Road 6 north of Delhi; no injuries were reported. In Richfield Minnesota, the howling winds tore open the Academy of Holy Angels Star Dome. Thankfully, forty souls inside were not injured. NSP reported 5,000 customers lost power during the wind event in the Twin Cities alone.

MNZ091

Martin

07	0300CST	0	0	Heavy Snow
	1200CST			

An early spring snowstorm which tracked across Iowa and northern Missouri, managed to dump 6 inches of snow across Martin county, accompanied by 26 knot winds. No accidents or injuries were reported with this event

Chippewa County

**4 N Montevideo to
4.1 N Montevideo**

27	1258CST	0.1	10	0	0	Tornado (F0)
	1308CST					

Tornado occasionally touching down over open ground. No damage reported.

Chippewa County

**5 E Montevideo to
5.1 E Montevideo**

27	1258CST	0.1	10	0	0	Tornado (F0)
	1313CST					

Tornado occasionally touching down over open ground. No damage incurred.

Renville County

2 N Hector

27	1339CST	0	0	Hail(0.75)
	1342CST			

No damage reported.